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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Takashi Hashimoto et al.

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Application No.: 10/593,598

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For: PRINT MEDIUM QUALITY ADJUSTMENT SYSTEM, INSPECTION WATERMARK
MEDIUM OUTPUT DEVICE FOR OUTPUTTING WATERMARK MEDIUM TO UNDERGO
INSPECTION, WATERMARK QUALITY INSPECTION DEVICE, etc.

**SUBMISSION OF IDS REFERENCES IN CONNECTION WITH THE REQUEST FOR
PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PILOT PROGRAM**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Further to the Request of Participation in the Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot Program Form (PTO/SB/20) faxed to the Office of the Commissioner for Patents together with the required documents on December 14, 2007, please find submitted herewith copies of five Japanese references cited in a Japanese Office Action dated December 5, 2006, issued in connection with the corresponding Japanese application. Also submitted herewith are copies of two Information Disclosure Statements and PTO/SB/08 Forms listing these references, and a copy of said Form PTO/SB/20.

Dated: December 17, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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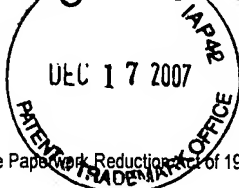
Enclosures:

Information Disclosure Statements/Form SB08 dated September 21, 2006 and
January 30, 2007

Five Japanese References

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**REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PILOT PROGRAM
BETWEEN THE (1) JPO OR (2) UKIPO, AND THE USPTO**

Application No.:	10/593,598	First Named Inventor:	Takashi Hashimoto
Filing Date:	September 21, 2006	Attorney Docket No.:	KAN 167NP
Title of the Invention:	PRINT MEDIUM QUALITY ADJUSTMENT SYSTEM, INSPECTION WATERMARK MEDIUM OUTPUT DEVICE FOR OUTPUTTING WATERMARK MEDIUM TO UNDERGO INSPECTION, WATERMARK QUALITY INSPECTION, ETC.		

THIS REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PPH PILOT PROGRAM MUST BE FAXED TO:
THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AT 571-273-0125 DIRECTED TO THE ATTENTION OF MAGDALEN GREENLIEF

APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PILOT PROGRAM AND PETITIONS TO MAKE THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION SPECIAL UNDER THE PPH PILOT PROGRAM.

The above-identified application validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) and 37 CFR 1.55 to one or more corresponding JPO application(s) or UKIPO application(s).

The ☒ JPO ☐ UKIPO application number(s) is/are: JP 2004-263565

The filing date of the ☒ JPO ☐ UKIPO application(s) is/are: September 10, 2004

I. List of Required Documents:

- a. A copy of all JPO office actions (excluding "Decision to Grant a Patent"*) in the above-identified JPO application(s), or a copy of all UKIPO office actions in the above-identified UKIPO application(s).
- ☐ Is attached.
- ☒ Is available via Dossier Access System. Applicant hereby requests that the USPTO obtain these documents via the Dossier Access System.
- *It is not necessary to submit a copy of the "Decision to Grant a Patent" and an English translation thereof.
- b. A copy of all claims which were determined to be patentable by the JPO in the above-identified JPO application(s), or a copy of all claims which were determined to be patentable by the UKIPO in the above-identified UKIPO application(s).
- ☒ Is attached.
- ☐ Is available via Dossier Access System. Applicant hereby requests that the USPTO obtain these documents via the Dossier Access System.
- c. English translations (where applicable) of the documents in a. and b. above along with a statement that the English translations are accurate are attached.

Information disclosure statement listing the documents cited in the JPO office actions or UKIPO office actions is attached.

Copies of all documents are attached except for U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications.

Copies of the IDS References shall be hand-delivered on December 17, 2007.

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This collection of information is required by 35 U.S.C. 119, 37 CFR 1.55, and 37 CFR 1.102(d). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public, which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. FAX COMPLETED FORMS TO: Office of the Commissioner for Patents at 571-273-0125, Attention: Magdalen Greenlief.

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Application No.: **10/953,598** First Named Inventor: **Takashi Hashimoto et al.**

II. Claims Correspondence Table:


Claims in US Application	Patentable Claims in JP/UKIPO Application	Explanation regarding the correspondence
1	1	Both claims are the same.
2	2	Both claims are the same.
3	3	Both claims are substantially same, except for claim dependency.
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25	19	Both claims are the same.

III. All the claims in the US application sufficiently correspond to the patentable/allowable claims in the JPO or UKIPO application.

IV. Payment of Fees:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h) as required by 37 CFR 1.102(d) to ☐ Deposit Account No. _____.

☒ Credit Card. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) is attached.

Signature 	Date December 14, 2007
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